Our Lady of Perpetual Succour



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Vision To be A Vibrant Eucharistic Community



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Pentecost Sunday

23rd May 2021



Dear friends, the First reading today gives us a vivid and forceful account of the happenings on the day of Pentecost in Jerusalem. The following details are mentioned. There was a rush of a mighty wind and appearance of tongues of fire on each of the Apostles present. All of them were filled with the mighty power of the Holy Spirit. They received the gift of tongues and were able to speak in other languages. Everyone present was able to hear in their own native language. The mighty wind and tongues of fire are expressions of the powerful way in which the Spirit of God came down on the day of Pentecost. Speaking in different languages points to the fact that all manmade barriers between humankind due to languages, culture and other differences are removed by the mighty presence of the Holy Spirit and God's community is united in the Spirit.

Today's Gospel passage narrates the Risen Lord's appearance to the disciples gathered in a closed upper room. After greeting them with words of peace and showing them His pierced hands and side, the Risen Lord breathed on them and blessed them saying "Receive the Holy Spirit". According to biblical understanding, the wind and the Spirit signifies the breath of God. Hence Pentecost signifies a new creation and a beginning. Thus, the Pentecost is the 'Birthday of the Church'. Means our birthday as Christians. Let the Holy Spirit enkindle in us the fire of love.

On this beautiful day we pray prayers of the faithful in different languages, symbol of oneness and unity in Christ irrespective of race, culture, and nationality. We too need the Holy Spirit to live as Christians in this challenging world of today. On this Pentecost, let us pray 'Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on us'.

Fr Tomy

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

St Mary's Church Toukley

Saturday: Vigil	6:00pm	Fr Baby		
Sunday:	7:30am	Fr Baby		
	9:00am	Fr Baby		
Children's Liturgy 1st & 3rd Sunday				
(except school holidays)				
	6.00			

6:00pm Fr Tomy

St Brendan's Lake Munmorah

Saturday: Vigil	5:00pm	Fr Tomy
Sunday:	8:00am	Fr Tomy

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

St Mary's Church Toukley

Monday 9:00 am Tuesday 9:00 am Wednesday 9:00 am Thursday 9:00 am Friday 9:15am (Except 1st Friday of Month)

First Friday of Month Anointing of Sick

11:00am

Saturday 9:00 am

St Brendan's Lake Munmorah

Wednesday 9:00am

First Wednesday of Month Anointing of Sick

9:00am 9:00am Thursday

EXPOSITION BLESSED SACRAMENT

St Mary's Church Toukley

Each Saturday – After Morning Mass

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

St Mary's Toukley

Saturday 9:30am-10:00am

St Brendan's Lake Munmorah

Saturday 4:30-5:00pm

MORNING PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

St Mary's Toukley

8:20 am Monday to Saturday

First Friday Night Vigil

Exposition after 7pm Mass until 1.30am

COVID-19 Restrictions – Places of Worship Diocese of Broken Bay Latest Update: 17th May 2021

Capacity: Capacity at a place of public worship <u>continues to be subject</u> to the one person per 2 square metre rule. Children count towards the capacity limit. Our capacity: St Mary's: 235, St Brendan's: 320 Please do not enter the Church if you feel unwell.

Masks: masks are optional in our Churches.

Record Keeping: Everyone entering the Church must sign in with their name and contact number, preferably using the QR code, or on the paper sheet provided. Please write clearly. The Parish office will hold the record for 28 days confidentially and securely.

Seating: please sit only where marked, to maintain physical distancing requirements. Members of the same household may sit together. Seating signs are staggered to allow for physical distancing, so please adhere to these signs.

Singing: Singing is permitted in Places of Worship.

Holy Communion: Parishioners are requested to receive Holy Communion in the hand and adhere to 1.5m physical distancing while processing to Communion. Those wishing to receive Holy Communion on the tongue are advised to wait at the end of the Communion line.

No Gathering: Parishioners are asked to move away promptly from the Church after Mass has finished.

No Sharing Food: Please remember that any meetings we hold must not involve sharing of food. If food is served, it must be individual serves on separate plates/containers, or participants must bring their own food.

Offertory Procession: due to easing of COVID restrictions, we are now able to resume the Offertory Procession.

More details about COVID restrictions are available on the noticeboard.

Children's Liturgy resumed at St Mary's last Sunday, with lots of fun had by all. It will be held on the 1st & 3rd Sundays of each month at 9.00am Mass at St Mary's.

Youth Group for 5-12 year olds

We are looking to start a Youth Group for Primary school aged children, meeting once a month in the Parish Centre. We are calling on Parishioners, especially Parents of young children to be involved. Please contact the Parish Office if you would like to help.

OKAN CWF May Appeal – Thank you



Thank you for your CWF contributions over the past weekends towards the pastoral works of the Church. I weekends towards the pastoral works of the Church. If you would still like to donate, please use the QR code.

St Brendan's Feast Dav

Thank you to everyone who was involved in preparing and celebrating the Feast Day at St Brendan's last Saturday. It was a beautiful celebration, enjoyed by all.



Volunteers Week

We take this opportunity to acknowledge all volunteers in our Parish for their time, effort and dedication to their chosen ministry. Our Parish would not be the same without you. THANK YOU!



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<u>Diocesan Mass Count</u>

The Diocesan Mass Count concludes this weekend. Counters will be recording the number of people attending all Masses. You will also be asked to complete a card showing your age group. Please collect a card from the Wardens at the doors.

<u>Catholic Women's League</u> will hold their monthly meeting on 24th May in the Parish Centre. This will follow after the 9am Mass where we will celebrate the Feast of Our Lady Help of Christians, Patron Saint of Australia and Catholic Women's League. New members are always welcome.

Spirituality in the Pub

Tues 1st June 2021, 7.30pm-9.00pm, The Grange Hotel Function Room, Cnr: Renwick St & Pacific Hwy, Wyoming. Bistro opens at 5.30pm. *Inquiries:* 4365 9197 *or 0498 588 261*

Rosters for St Brendan's from June - August

Rosters are being prepared for the period June through to August. We welcome parishioners who are wishing to assist with the various ministries during the Mass. Training will be provided for all positions. Please see Tricia Humphreys or call the Parish Office.

Church Library at St Mary's is Open!

Browse our Church Library in the Parents Room at the back of the church. Childrens books are also available.

Catechists Needed!

We are always on the lookout for new Catechists in our Parish, to either lead a class or be a helper for one of our current Catechists. If you've ever considered this Ministry, please speak with Fr Tomy or Fr Baby, or have a chat with one of our current Catechists. Please enquire with the Parish Office for more information.

Wedding Anniversary Congratulations!

Congratulations to Pam & Paul Moir on the occasion of your 52nd Wedding Anniversary on 17th May. May God bless you both!



Joseph House

Are you a young man seeking to hear God's voice and discover His plan for your life? Do you know any young men who might benefit from living in Joseph House? For more information about Joseph House, a newly established house of discernment for young men, visit <u>bbcatholic.org.au/josephhouse</u>

Attention young singers & musicians!

Can you sing or play a musical instrument? Join our Youth Band and help us achieve our parish vision of being a vibrant eucharistic community! <u>First Sunday</u> <u>of each month</u> at 6pm Mass at St Mary's. See Sr Josie for more details. Stay for pizza after Mass!



Mackay Family Funerals

In Association with Mackay Family Crematorium A.B.N. 79 085 423 589 Head Office: 249 Pacific Highway West, Ourimbah 2258 PO Box 89 Ourimbah NSW 2258. Phone: (02) 4362 2733 Fax: (02) 4362 2899 In your charity, please pray for those who have died and those who are sick.



Recently Deceased

Amy & Raymond Cheong, George Salvestro, Percy Trapman, Ian Willis, William Brown, Anna Stankowski

Anniversaries

Stella Sultana, Grahame Lesha, Fr Ian Abbott, Trevor Haynes, Ouseph Kuruvelil, Marrietta Moir, Evelee Ross, Danny Goonan, Cathri, Carmen Cefai, Ken Johnston, Doris Zerafa, Virginia De Souza, Nina Micallef, Frangeska Galea, Katy Ng, Grace Chetcuti

Remembrances

Stephen Cappa, Arsenio Reyes, Greg Irvine, Georgina Baker, Valmai Joseph Stark Family, Carol Brown

Please Pray for the Sick

Mary Smith, Therese Chetcuti, Graham Moir, Julie Kozak, Chris Jones, Marie Cohen, John McCann, Michael Wiggin, Vanessa Miller, Maureen Johnston, Peter Dormer, Diane Booth, Sr Tincy Thomas

Notices in this section appear as follows:

Recently Deceased—3 weeks, Anniversaries—3 weeks, Remembrances—3 weeks, Sick—6 weeks. Please contact the Parish Office to place/renew your notice.



May Birthdays

Ray Crocker (6th May) Judy Kay (8th May) Aileen Reid (15th May) Fr Tomy (25th May) Charlie Micallef (28th May) Peter Huby (31st May)



Call the office to have your birthday included!

Volunteer Angels

Male & Female Do you have a caring heart & time to become a friend to a lonely person in an Aged Care Facility Please call Anne-Marie 4396 1555 The Community Visitors' Scheme



First Reading

Acts 2:1-11

They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak different languages.

When Pentecost day came round, the apostles had all met in one room, when suddenly they heard what sounded like a powerful wind from heaven, the noise of which filled the entire house in which they were sitting; and something appeared to them that seemed like tongues of fire; these separated and came to rest on the head of each of them. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak foreign languages as the Spirit gave them the gift of speech.

Now there were devout men living in Jerusalem from every nation under heaven, and at this sound they all assembled, each one bewildered to hear these men speaking his own language. They were amazed and astonished. 'Surely' they said 'all these men speaking are Galileans? How does it happen that each of us hears them in his own native language? Parthians, Medes and Elamites; people from Mesopotamia, Judaea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya round Cyrene; as well as visitors from Rome - Jews and proselytes alike - Cretans and Arabs; we hear them preaching in our own language about the marvels of God.'

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 103:1, 24, 29-31, 34

R. Lord, send out your Spirit and renew the face of the earth.

Bless the Lord, my soul! Lord God, how great you are, How many are your works, O Lord! The earth is full of your riches. **R**.

You take back your spirit, they die, returning to the dust from which they came. You send forth your spirit, they are created; and you renew the face of the earth. R.

May the glory of the Lord last for ever! May the Lord rejoice in his works! May my thoughts be pleasing to him. I find my joy in the Lord. R.

Second Reading

Galatians 5:16-25

The fruit of the Spirit.

If you are guided by the Spirit you will be in no danger of yielding to self-indulgence, since self-indulgence is the opposite of the Spirit, the Spirit is totally against such a thing, and it is precisely because the two are so opposed that you do not always carry out your good intentions. If you are led by the Spirit, no law can touch you. When selfindulgence is at work the results are obvious: fornication, gross indecency and sexual irresponsibility; idolatry and sorcery; feuds and wrangling, jealousy, bad temper and quarrels; disagreements, factions, envy; drunkenness, orgies and similar things. I warn you now, as I warned you before: those who behave like this will not inherit the kingdom of God. What the Spirit brings is very different: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, trustfulness, gentleness and self-control. There can be no law against things like that, of course. You cannot belong to Christ Jesus unless you crucify all self-indulgent passions and desire.

Since the Spirit is our life, let us be directed by the Spirit.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation

Sequence—see screen

Alleluia, alleluia! Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alleluia!

Gospel

John 15:26-27; 16:12-15

The Spirit of truth will guide you into all the truth.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'When the Advocate comes, whom I shall send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who issues from the Father, he will be my witness. And you too will be witnesses, because you have been with me from the outset. 'I still have many things to say to you but they would be too much for you now. But when the Spirit of truth comes he will lead you to the complete truth, since he will not be speaking as from himself but will say only what he has learnt; and he will tell you of the things to come. He will glorify me, since all he tells you will be taken from what is mine. Everything the Father has is mine; that is why I said: All he tells you will be taken from what is mine.'

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

Next Sunday - The Most Holy Trinity First Reading - Deuteronomy 4:32-34, 39-40 Second Reading - Romans 8:14-17 Gospel - Matthew 28:16-20

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for May

The World of Finance

Let us pray that those in charge of finance will work with governments to regulate the financial sphere and protect citizens from its dangers.



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